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#### AN UNFORTUNATE REVELATION

Admiral Sims rendered admirable service while in command of the American navy in European waters during the war, and it is a pity that he should have so far forgotten himself as to make public instructions that he claims were given him when leaving this country with his fleet. Whether he received such instructions or not, they were not amiss, confirmation of which is given by the admiral himself in his writings and public utterances.

He is an Englishman, Canadian born, and while an American admiral he is much of an Anglophile, if not an Anglomaniac. As soon as he reached the other side he called for every ship in the American navy to be sent to him. At that time there were many loud protests heard against stripping the American coasts and leaving them exposed to the enemy. He claims that we were in no danger because German ships could not get away. In this he was mistaken. German ships did get away and commerce destroyers were sweeping the seven seas. Submarines got away in spite of the vigilance of the British. American and French navies. Our South Atlantic coast has been converted into a continuous coal mine by the ships carrying coal that were sunk by enemy craft, and just how many of our merchant ships were sent to the bottom may never be known.

Those who knew of the admiral's rabid pro-English sentiments might have thought it well to warn him against any rash act. He was commanding American ships, not English, and he was under orders from the American navy department.

Just what the probe will reveal is something we should wait for patiently, but there is no denying Admiral Sims' imprudence in talking as he has done. The assistance we gave the allies was eminently satisfactory to them, and it ill becomes an American naval officer to openly criticize our navy and its management, now that the war is over, or at any other time.

We went into the war whole-heartedly, to be sure, but as a unit and with no idea of effacing either the American army or pavy or of making it subordinate to any other power. These forces were not to be merged or submerged. Nor was it our place to orget our own troops in transport and their safety. They also were exposed and our first duty was to them. Of course an ambitious and capable American admiral in going abroad naturally wished for as great a fleet under his command as possible. That is human nature. But our own troop ships were not to be abandoned nor overlooked. Our own men were, after all, more to us than the allies, who were taking care of themselves, and our first consideration was and should have been our own people and propety. Admiral Sims has committed an egregious blunder. His

#### GEN. WOOD

We yield to none in our admiration of Gen. Leonard Wood as a soldier, an officer and a prophet crying in the wilderness for preparedness. But his was only the expression of the sentiment of every officer in the army, and the larger share of the credit went to him because he possessed the spectacular faculty of get ting it before the people

He was entitled to a greater part in the war than was given to him. His appointment would have been more popular than that of Pershing. But because he was denied that part which he was so well qualified to play, and that notwithstanding his popularity with the American people, is no reason why he should be elected president of the United States.

There have been many reasons assigned why Gen. Wood was given his choice of a post in the Philippines or the head of the department of the Southeast, instead of being honored with the selection as commander of the expeditionary forces. The two outstanding reasons are that Gen. Wood is not a West Point graduate and that he was too close to Roosevelt.

Officers high in the army expressed the private opinion that it would be injurious to the morale of the regular army to have any but a West Point man at the head of the expeditionary forces. and perhaps there was something in it, but not something that could be discussed publicly.

If we remember correctly Gen. Wood has not always been a victim of prejudice. He was jumped over several hundred officers and another by President Roosevelt, and that incident was never forgotten by the army.

## CONFIDENCE

The willingness of the Cumberland Telephone company to co-operate with the Chamber of Commerce in reporting the efforts made to bring its service up to standard is a step in the right direction, but there is another difficulty every bit as hard to overcome as the physical difficulties, and that is the restoration of public confidence.

A person calls for a number and no one answers the telephone. The operator is accused of not ringing. Another time the formula is a system of such and the sair made in the ingress, dear, it's the wards person calls for a number and no one answers the telephone.

A person calls for a number and no one answers the relephone. The operator is accused of not inging. Another time the line is busy and the suspicious subscriber alleges it is an indication of inferior service. Again a parton calls a number, gets and it is the wrong number and the company is conditionally the same of the same of the wrong number and the company is conditionally the least of particular than the same of the person of the people and them only by giving the less in the confidence of the people and them only by giving the less in the confidence of the people and them only by giving the less in the confidence of the people and them only by giving the less in the confidence of the people and them only by giving the design in the confidence of the people and them only by giving the design in the confidence of the people and them only by giving to design the possible service, a service on accurate that mistakes will not he charged to inefficiency.

One thing the company highly do to materially improve the same of \$100,000 miles the even of the battle-ship Pennessee.

The people of Tennessee have been asked to contribute the sum of \$50,000 for the crew of the battle-ship Pennessee.

It is proposed to man the greatest ship in the world with men from the state for which the ship is named.

The \$30,000 when raised is to be invested in Tennessee bonds and the income is to be used for the entertainment and anusement of the men on the ship. It is expected that they will have something like \$2,000 a year to be spent for attletic equipment and for other things that will add to their pleasure and comfort.

Gov. Roberts is chairman of the committee appointed to raise the money, and he has appointed the same of the committee appointed to train the body and the window of the committee appointed to train the body and the window of the committee appointed to train the body and the window of the

# Oh, Man!-By Briggs

wight, 1979 by the Tribune Association (New York Tribune).

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AS THE DINNER IS OVER

AND A SHUFFLING OF

TO BEGIN - DO YOU

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THE SPEAKING IS ABOUT

REMEMBER HOW NERVOUSLY

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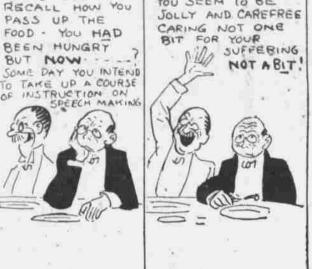
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# HOROSCOPE

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 1920.

Saturn. Neptune and transport.

The configuration is read as unfavorable because it seems to be encouraging to wrong thinking of every sort.

While the stars apparently have forecast better vision on public questions, there is a prophecy that the public mind will be poisoned by evil propaganda affecting students and thinkers as well as workers.

Coiffures of the women as well brevail so generally in certain quarters that the truth will assume new importance to business men.

Reforms that deal with lax marriage and divorce laws will be pushed by women when they attain the vole, the seers declare, for Venus will be in the right aspect.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the content of t

(Copyright, 1929, by The McClure Newspaper Syndicate.)
According to astrology this is not a fortunate day for most human interests.
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many during the coming summer. Coal fields of great richness will be opened in a far Western state.

There is a sign said to presage great development in motion pictures and sweeping improvement in their presentation of human life.

With great caution, as treachery is to be guarded against in all transactions. Novel industries that Attract trained minds and trained hands will multiply in the coming months.

Children born on this day are likely to be restless and ambitious. These subminos and trained hands will multiply in the coming months.

Children born on this day are likely to be restless and ambitious. These sub-jects of Aquarius are usually great fa-vorites with the opposite sex and ex-tremely successful in business or profes-sional affairs.

# HIS COMPLIMENT.

"Supposing I give you your supper, said the tired-looking woman, "wha will you do to carn it?" "Madam." said the wanderer, "I'd give you de opportunity us seeing a man go t'roo a whole meal without finding fault wid a single t'ing."

### PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

Holland is lending \$80,000,000 to Germany. Is the ex-kaiser security for the loan?—Syracuse Post Standard. Anybody can tell you positively who going to be the next president—but verybody tells you different.—Terre everybody tells Haute Tribune.

Impossible to get whisky for the sick, says headline. Yes, and not much easier for the well.—Albany Argus. If a German citizen grows tired of life he can oppose Noske and he gathered to his fathers.—Colorado Springs Telegraph.

We heartily agree with the observa-tion that "the Adriatic issue becomes tense." Past, present and future.—De-troit News.

The peace treaty situation seems to be about like this: Both sides are eager to compromise, and each side wants the



# They Meet the Wooden Gargoyles

adventurers to a third landing, where there was a rift in the mountain. On neering out all they could see was roll-ing banks of clouds, so thick that they obscured all else.

But the travelers were obliged to rest of Voe. Why we can see each other again."

"Why we can see each other again"
"Yes," sighed Eureka: "and I also
can see you again, and the sight makes
are dreadfully hungry. Please, Mr. Wiz
ard, may I eat just one of the fat litie pights." You'd never miss one of
them. I'm sure!
"What a horrid, savage beast." exchained a piglet, "and after we've been
su'h good friende, too, and played with
one another."

When I'm not hungry I like to play

When In not hungry I like to play in you all, said the kitten, demutebut when my stomach is compty it cans that nothing would fill it so may as a fat piglet.

And we trusted you we said ander of the nine, repreachfully.

And desight you were respectable."
Id another.

said another "It seems we were mistaken," de-"It seems we were mistaken," de-clared a third, looking at the kitten timorous); "no one with such murder-ous desires should belong to our party, The saids." I'm sure. "You see, Eureka," remarked Dorothy You see, Eureka," remarked Dorothy reproxingly, you are making yourself distilled. There are certain things proper for a kinter to eat, but I never heard of a kinter scatting a pig under



sian co-operative societies. These societies are the providence Journal (Ind.).

Russia's economic life. They are nonpartisan, and at the present time their representatives in the United States insist that they have nothing in common with any Russian government, and they would repudiate any commercial agents sent here by the soviets. With a membership of some 20,000,000, their agents and elephant. There were many types, indeed, scarcely two being alike; but all were equally disagreable in appearance. The tops of their heads had no hair, but were carved into a variety of fantastic shapes some having a row of points or balls around the top, other designs resembly in the Pittsburgh Leader (Prog. To the Seattle Times, (Ind.) wellowed the surface of the world around the top, other designs resembly any other having squares that looked like waffles cut criss-cross on their heads. They all wore short wooden wings which were fastened to their wooden bodies by means of wooden hinges with wooden screws, and with these wings they are non-partisen, and at the present time their representatives in the United States insist that they have nothing in common with any Russian government, and they would repudiate any commercial agents sent here by the soviets. Which an enlisted man belongs is the worden to the ward they have nothing in common with any Russian government, and they would repudiate any commercial and they would repudiate any commercial agents and they have color of the hat common with any Russian government, and they would repudiate any commercial agents and they have color of the service to which an enlisted man belongs is the which an enlisted man belongs is sent their representatives in the United States insist that they have nothing in committee their representatives in the United States insist that they have color of the se

They all wore short wooden wings which were fastened to their wooden bodies by means of wooden hinges with wooden on screws, and with these wings they flew swiftly and noiselessly here and there, their legs being of little use to them.

This noiseless motion was one of the most peculiar things about the Gargoyles. They made no sounds at all, either in flying or trying to speak, and they conversed mainly by means of quick signals made with their wooden fingers or lips. Neither was there any sound to be heard anywhere throughout the wooden country. The birds did not sing, nor did the cows moo; yet there was more than ordinary activity everywhere.

The group of these queer creatures which was discovered clustered near the stairs at first remained staring and motionless, glaring with evil eyes at the intruders who had so suddenly appeared in their land. In turn the Wighard and the children, the horse and the kitten, examined the Gargoyles with the same silent attention.

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kitten, examined the Gargoyles with the same silent attention.

"There's going to be trouble, I'm sure," remarked the horse. "Unhitch those tugs, Zeb, and set me free from the buggy, so I can fight comfortably." "Jim's right," sighed the Wizard. "There's going to be trouble, and my sword isn't stout enough to cut up those wooden bodies—so I shall have to get out my revolvers."

He got his satchel from the buggy and, opening it, tool, out two deadly looking revolvers that made the children shrink back in alarm just to look at.

# Daily Editorial Digest

THIS column is designed to reproduce without bias the latest comment by the leading newspapers and periodicals on the questions of the day.

merce (Ind.) takes a somewhat similar

Russia offers an enormous market "Russia offers an enormous market for machinery, tools, locomotives, rails, automobiles, agricultural implements, textiles, clothing, rubber goods, chemicals and a great variety of other products produced here. In exchange Russia has to offer a certain amount of gold, besides raw materials like hemp, hides, flax and other products which this country is prepared to buy."

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The Journal of Commerce points out that while trading "with a country you refuse to recognize is a new thing in international diplomacy." still "in the history of the world there has never been anything oute like the situation existing in Russia."

The Boston Post (Ind. Dem.) offers yet another reason for trading with Russia.—it may tend toward making the Russian government more conservative.

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To quote the Post:

"The sufferings and privations of the Russian neople through inability to trade with the rest of the world are just the factors that sovietism thrives best on. Furthermore, it is believed that the red leaders have been able to weid the Russian people together by pointing out that the entente nations, as shown by the blockade, were banded sealing them."

porting out that the entente nations, as shown by the blockade, were banded against them."

This reasoning does not satisfy the Tacoma Ledger (Ind.), which thinks "the solid, inescapable truth is that Bolshevism has triumphed," and that trading with the Russians will "give aid and comfort to the men who are the enemies of democratic society and who are avowedly building and planning for the future overthrow of democracy throughout the world." The Toronto World likewise warns us that "it is not that trading with the Russians that is so important as the implications of the proposal, and no one outside of Russia can set limits to the possibilities." So, too, the Detroit Free Press (Ind.) has doubts of the wisdom of the new policy—which "looks a little like a policy born of a combination of sentiment, sordidness and weakness, rather than a policy born of broad-visioned consideration of the best permanent interests of olicy born of broad-visioned considera-ion of the best permanent interests of he world." Further, the Free Press

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"When the utterly perfidious nature of the soviet regime is taken into consideration, when the avowed aim of Lenine to dominate the world at any cost is before the mind; when the Bolshevist repudiation of all moral law and of all the code of honor is recalled, it is not very difficult to be impressed by the argument that supplies sent to Russia from the outside world will never reach the mass of the people but will be grabbed and controlled by the soviet landlords."

The supreme council hopes to avoid this by dealing, not with the Bolshevist authorities direct, but with the Russian co-operative societies. These so-

Peace With the Bolsheviki?

"The lifting of the Bussian blockade." prophesies the Boston Transcript (Ind Rep.) "can only be interpreted as the prelude to the early recognition by the allies of the soviet government." "A forecast of eventual recognition of soviet Russia." agrees the Omaha Dally News (Ind.), and these opinions are strengthened by later news from Russia that the Lenine government will refuse to trade with the allies unless a military armisite is declared.

If, as the New York Mail (Ind.) says, the lifting of the blockade "constitutes a complete reversal of allied policy toward the goviet republic," what are the reasons for this change of heart? The declared purpose, as announced by the supreme council in Paris, is "to remedy the unhappy situation of the population of the interior of Russia." but the Mail calls this "an obvious attempt to place upon a high moral plane an innovation unmistakably undertaken because Europe needs Russia's grains, her flax and her other raw products, and the New York Journal of Commerce (Ind.) takes a somewhat similar view: weight," and, moreover, that there "danger that the defeat of Bolshes will lead to a terrific reaction town authoracy," against which the "lifts of the blockade should be a safeguard It is "one of the most encourage results of recent mouths," says the It is "one of the most encours events of recent months." says the Lake Telegram (Ind.), which "prol heralds the early approach of peak Russia," since it "would indicate a nosition to mark the heralds the early approach of peace Russia, "since it "would indicate a aposition to permit the Russians to so their own problems." The Chicago by hing Post (Ind.) thinks it gives "he hope to those elements in Russia, who temporarily submitting to Bolshevio are not in accord with its theory methods," as they "now have southing to fight for, whereas the Bolevists, having crushed their enemies, longer possess a rallying cry."

"The league of nations," declares thou the modern of the second of the second

solution to the one great pro

#### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. Who was the first postmastergeneral of the United States? R. G.
A. Benjamin Franklin was the first
head of the postal system of the Unite
States. When he took over the affair
of his office there were 75 postoffich,
with an aggregate bostal revenue of
\$30,000 a year. Today we have more
than 53,000 postoffices and about \$00,000
employes. The aggregate revenue coljected and expended amounts to about
\$800,000,000 annually.
Q. is the theater in which Idvanta-

Q. Is the theater in which Linco was shot still standing? E. C. A. President Lincoln was shot in h box at Ford's theater. The building still intact, but it is no longer used a theater.

Q. What was the per capita sumption of distilled liquors in 19 A. In that year there were 119.9 258 gallons of liquor consumed in United States or 1.12 gallons per p

How does the tonnage of our chant marine compare with that Great Britain? C. P. G. A. Lloyd's register for 1919-20 show that the tonnage of Great Britain merchant marine fleet is 18,607,5 while the tonnage of the merchant marine of the United States is 12,091,76 Germany ranks third with Japan as France in close competition for four thonors.



ALTHOUGH HE said. THAT LOTS of them.

East St. Louis, Ill.

Dear Mr. K. C. B.: You have written about the thirsty dog and the Maltese cat, so I want you to know about two little pigs.

Grandmother has been in the country-and new she is at my home.

She told me a very strange story of two little pigs.

They were being raised pets and were being fed so much milk they bursted open. One died and the other one still lives. We know this old lady saw this and we want to know if a pig can burst and we want to know if a pig can burst open. They bursted open on the outside. Daddy says they can't, but mother thinks they would have bursted open on the inside. So please settle this affair. Very anxious, SUSIE M.

MY DEAR Susie. IN THE hotel. WHERE I live. THERE IS a doctor. BY THE name of Nagel. AND JUST as soon. AS I got your letter. I WENT to him. AND SHOWED it to him. AND SAID to him. "NOW DR, Nagel.

"I WANT you to tell me, "ALL YOU know. 'ABOUT LITTLE pigs. "THAT HAVE bursted open, "FROM DRINKING milk." AND THE doctor said. HE HAD never treated. ANY LITTLE pigs. BUT THAT lots of times

THERE WERE little girls. AND LITTLE boys. WHO ATE too much. AND WERE brought to him.  $\label{eq:bulk_entropy} \mathbf{B}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\bar{T}} \ \mathbf{H}\mathbf{E} \ \text{couldn't remember.}$ THAT ANY of them. HAD BURSTED open

WERE AWFUL tight. WHERE THEY D eaten so much AND WHEN I asked him. ABOUT YOUR grandma. THE DOCTOR said. THAT IF grandma said. SHE HAD seen the pigs. THAT HAD bursted open. THAT IT must be true. AND HE also said. WHEN HE was a boy. HE HAD a grandma. WHO USED to see things. AND THEN tell him. AND THAT ever since then. HE'D BEEN going around. LOOKING FOR the things. THAT HIS grandma saw. AND HE'S made up his mind. THAT THERE must be things. THAT ONLY grandmas. CAN EVER see.

AND I guess he's right. BUT ANYWAY, Susie. WHAT DADDY says, AND WHAT mother says. MAY BE all right. BUT YOU must remember. THAT NEITHER of them. SAW THE little pigs. AND THAT grandma did.

> AND IF they bursted open. WHY THEY bursted open,

I THANK you.

AND THAT'S all there is to it.